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PATENT
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Attorney Docket No.: 99-134-E)

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| In re Application of: |) |
| Yuan et al. |) Confirmation No. 6627 |
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| Serial No.: 09/914,957 |) Before the Examiner: |
| |) Evelyn Huang |
| Filed: January 22, 2002 |) |
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| For: Aryl Fused 2,4-Disubstituted |) Art Unit: 1625 |
| Pyridines: NK3 Receptor Ligands |) |
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
MAILED JULY 6, 2004

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action Mailed July 6, 2004, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the patent application identified above in view of the amendments and remarks submitted herewith.

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